



# *Lumpkin County Board of Elections & Registration*

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## **Monthly Meeting**

**May 21, 2013**

### **Attendance:**

Bastian Oskam (Democratic Seat 4) – Chairman (**Absent – Board was Notified in Advance**)  
Ralph Drew (Republican Seat 1) –Vice Chairman (**Absent – Board was Notified in Advance**)  
Sallie Sorohan (Democratic Seat 3) – Board Member  
Dottie Krull (Republican Seat 2) – Board Member  
Ashley Peck – Secretary, Elections Supervisor & Chief Registrar

**I. Call to order.** Ms. Peck called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

### **II. Approval of Previous Minutes of April 16, 2013.**

***Motion:** Ms. Krull made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Ms. Sorohan seconded the motion. The motion carried.*

### **III. Public Hearing – Challenges by the Board**

In accordance with O.C.G.A. § 21-2-228, a hearing was held to determine the eligibility to remain on the electors list of twenty-six individuals. A detailed list with reasons for the challenge, pertinent research and the date the notices were mailed to the named individuals is attached. No challenged voters are in attendance.

- The twenty-six challenges were due to invalid residential addresses, Department of Drivers Services' records showing an out of county address, or records showing they are currently registered in other states. All resources were researched in order to contact the voters and letters were mailed to all addresses found for each voter. Based upon the available evidence, Ms. Sorohan motions to delete the twenty-six individuals from the voter list. Ms. Krull seconds the motion. Motion carries.

Resolved, that these twenty-six voters are no longer qualified to be registered in Lumpkin County.

### **IV. News/Issues**

- Ms. Peck reports the following concerning the GEOA conference held May 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>.
  - GEOA membership fees were paid for all Election Board Members.
  - New legislation was passed returning candidate qualify to the county Elections Office.
  - New legislation was passed requiring the Sheriff to be fingerprinted and a background check conducted during the 4 days of candidate qualifying.
- Ms. Peck reports the Lumpkin County High School Student Government Election was held on May 17, 2013. Ms. Peck reports that 346 students participated in the High School Election.
- Ms. Peck reports that the Kindergarten Election was held on May 17, 2013 with 100 students participating.
- Ms. Peck reports that the NCOA notices will be sent out in June from the Secretary of State.

### **V. Office Move**

- Ms. Peck reports that the Board of Commissioners approved the proposed plan for the Elections Office that was approved by the Building Committee. The new plan will allow the Elections Office to occupy the entire floor of the old Health Department Building located at 56 Short Street.
- Ms. Peck reports that a meeting was held with various county departments to discuss the plans for moving the Elections Office. Ms. Peck reports that minor changes have been made to the floor plan. Ms. Peck reports that a janitor's closet has been added to the floor plan as well as a small break room area.

Ms. Peck reports that the fire department is currently checking to determine if the stairs could be covered allowing the utilization of that space.

#### **VI. Upcoming Events**

- Ms. Peck discusses the upcoming events:
  - a) 5/27: Memorial Day Holiday (Closed)
  - b) 6/18: Monthly Meeting
  - c) 6/20: 3T Meeting

#### **VII. Next Meeting and Adjournment**

The next meeting is scheduled for June 18, 2013 at 9:00 am.

*Ms. Sorohan makes a motion to close the meeting. Ms. Krull seconds the motion. Motion carries.*

Ms. Peck adjourns the meeting at 10:04 am.